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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM,
"BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS CONFERENCE"

This information bulletin is to invite you to attend the forthcoming 10th annual Building Partnerships Conference. This conference is sponsored by the Workforce and Economic Development Program (WED) of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. The conference will address pertinent topics, including rapid response under the Workforce Investment Act, training for incumbent workers, and layoff aversion, and will feature presentations from current partnership programs regarding best practices.

Under the leadership of the California Labor Federation, the WED promotes and maintains the vital partnership link between labor organizations and the workforce investment system throughout the State. This linkage ensures that the system makes full and effective use of organized labor's employment and training resources for the revitalization of the State's economy. The WED is funded by a Governor's Workforce Investment Act Dislocated Worker 25 Percent grant, through the Employment Development Department, and by a grant from the California Employment Training Panel. The WED brokers employment and training partnerships among labor, industry, and government to assist California employers, unions, and workers in developing training projects for specific industries and regions in the State.

The conference will be held on June 12-14, 2002, at the Hyatt Regency in Los Angeles, California. More information on the conference and hotel is provided on the conference Web site at www.bpconference.org. The cut-off date for registering at the hotel is May 23, 2002.

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